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$\times$ The allowed claim(s) is/are $39-67$
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Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).
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received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number)
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because the originally filed drawings were declared by applicant to be informal.
including changes required by the Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No.
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☐ Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.
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Attachment(s)
□ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892
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Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948
□ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152
Interview Summary, PTO-413
☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
X Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

Application/Control Number: 09/234,200

Art Unit: 1623

## **REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The prior art fails to teach or fairly suggest the following limitations which differentiate the +instantly claimed cytidine nucleoside analogs over the closest prior art, specifically:

- 1) substitution of the cytidine nucleoside compound wherein the nucleobase moiety, the cytosine ring is substituted in the fifth position with an iodine atom, a vinyl moiety or an ethynyl moiety, and the 4th position of the ring is modified with a carbamic derivative and
- 2) the carbohydrate moiety is deoxygenated in the 5'-position.

These requisite limitations are seen to render the compounds of the instant invention unobvious over the prior art

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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INVENTION ENZYME CATALYZED TEMPLATE-INDEPENDENT CREATION OF PHOSPHODIESTER BONDS USING PROTECTED NUCLEOTIDES

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